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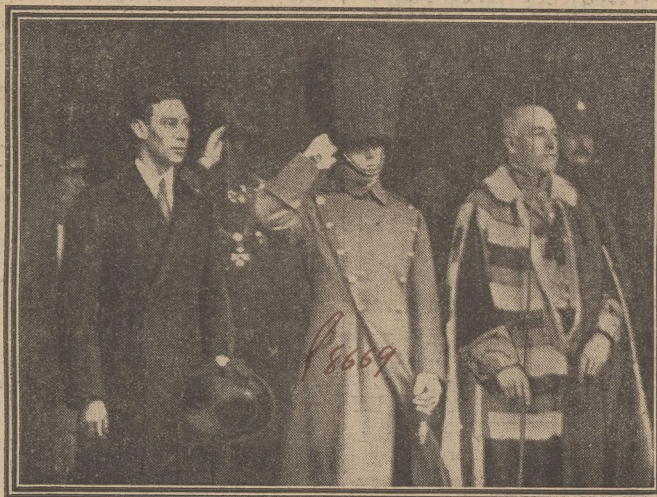
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THE KING AND QUEEN IN PARLIAMENT PAGEANT



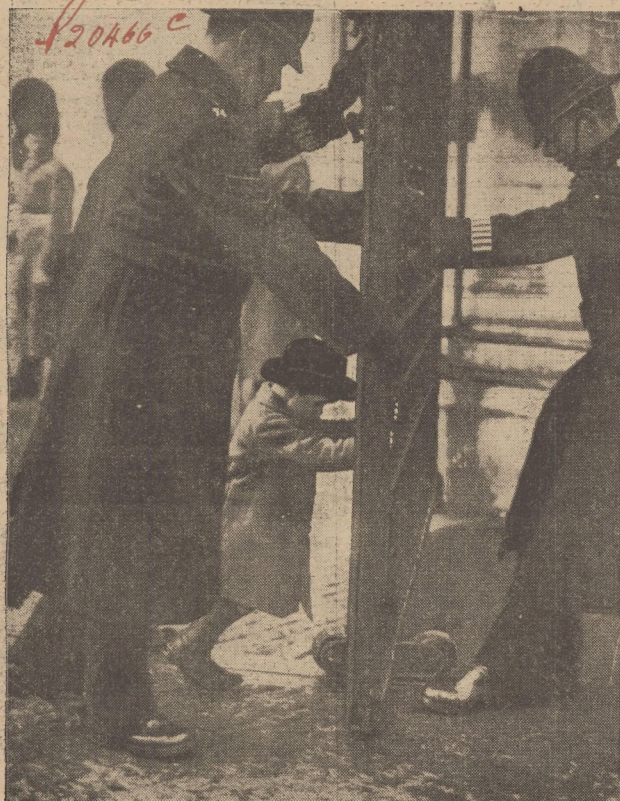
Their Majesties in the State Coach driving to the opening of Parliament.



The Prince of Wales (centre) and the Duke of York salute the King.



Two of the royal pages, the Earl of Erne (left) and Master Godfrey-Faussett.



Master Alexander Ramsay helps to open the gates of Buckingham Palace.

Although wet weather dimmed the brilliance of the pageant in the streets, the historical ceremony of the opening of Parliament by the King lost none of its splendours within the stately chamber of the House of Lords. Many peeresses graced the occasion with the



The Duke of Norfolk and (left) Mary Marchioness of Queensberry.



Lady Bingham (right) waiting for her car after the splendid ceremony.



Marchioness of Headfort (left) and Lady Maserene outside the House of Lords.

charm of their presence and the beauty of their jewels and dresses, and among them Lady Harwood was seen to receive many congratulations on the birth of her grandson—the baby at Chesterfield House. (See also page 20.)

£1,000 DAMAGES FOR NURSE.

Court Sequel to a Brief Romance on Voyage.

HER TWO LOVERS.

Tale of Campaign to Make Woman Break Engagement.

The story of a romantic courtship on a sea voyage was told to Mr. Justice Horridge and a common jury yesterday in a breach of promise action.

Miss Catherine Smith, of York, claimed damages for alleged breach of promise to marry from Mr. Charles Wilkins, whose address was given as the Services' Club, Stratford-place, London.

The defence was that if there was a promise to marry it was rescinded by mutual consent.

Miss Smith was awarded £1,000 damages.

GLAMOUR OF THE SEA.

Woman's 'I May Be a Coward' Letter—Question About Sonny.

Opening the case for Miss Smith, her counsel, Lord Halsbury, said that his client's father was in the merchant service, and in 1918 he was torpedoed and drowned.

During the war Miss Smith acted as a nurse, and afterwards as a companion to a lady at Salisbury, in South Africa.

Then she was minded to see her mother in England, and she went to Beira. There she met a nursing sister whom she had known, and at whose invitation she stayed some time. At Beira she met a man who proposed marriage to her and she accepted him.

Later the nursing sister introduced her to Mr. Wilkins. They all met at dinner, when Miss Smith's fiancé, knowing that Mr. Wilkins was going by the same boat as Miss Smith, asked him to look after her on the voyage, and he promised to do so. He was only going as far as Aden to take up his duties there under the Colonial Office.

LOVE CAMPAIGN.

"As soon as the voyage started," said counsel, "there began what I would describe as a campaign to induce Miss Smith to give up the friend who had put her into his charge."

"He started in a very insidious way," counsel went on. "He knew the nursing sister, and the first thing he said was that Miss Smith had supplanted her best friend in this man's affections, and the sister had had her heart broken by his engagement."

"He became more and more importunate, and finally she agreed to break off the engagement and consented to marry Mr. Wilkins."

"He told her the ship would stop three days at Aden, and he would marry her there."

"When they got to Aden," went on counsel, "where Mr. Wilkins must have known perfectly well the ship would stop only a few hours, he said he was unable to marry."

"He, therefore, advised her to go on to her mother, and said he would send her the means to rejoin him. She was to buy an engagement ring," he said, when she got to England.

"She arrived in England."

GLAMOUR OF THE SEA.

Counsel read a letter that Mr. Wilkins wrote from Beira.

"Although I appreciate your sentiment that you should come out and join me immediately, such a thing is impossible at this juncture."

"In the first place, although we had a jolly time on the ship and understand each other awfully well, yet I cannot help feeling we know practically nothing of each other, and that the glamour of the sea had some prevailing influence which might have been overshadowed under conditions of less romantic environment."

Counsel said Miss Smith had a child, and from beginning to end Mr. Wilkins admitted he was the father.

He wrote: "I was delighted to get the news yesterday, and am indeed pleased it is a son. He ought to be a fine little fellow. What weight was he when he was born?"

When Mr. Wilkins, said Lord Halsbury, came to England he waited a fortnight to three weeks before telling Miss Smith he had returned, and then for the first time he told her he had no intention of marrying her.

"YOU DON'T WISH TO MARRY ME."

"She came to London and saw him, and his one terror seemed to be that the child should be seen about with him."

"Finally she wrote to him:—

"Now let us have some definite understanding. You don't wish to marry me. Very well. Let that pass."

"I ask you now to leave me absolutely out of the question and provide for Sonny. Once you have settled that, I can look round and begin to provide for myself."

"I may be a coward not to stand up for my rights, but, though you have treated me so badly, perhaps it is all for the best."

Counsel added that on his own story Mr. Wilkins was making £1,000 a year from his Government post, apart from any private means he might have.

KIDNAPPED NUN.

Sister's Window Escape from Locked Room.

HELD TO RANSOM.

BALTIMORE, Tuesday. A man, named Jeman, entered the Notre Dame Convent at Frederick, Maryland, yesterday and kidnapped a sister known as Cecilia. He brought her to a house on the outskirts of Baltimore in a motor-car and locked her in a room, threatening she would be held until ransom was paid.

The nun, however, escaped through the window during the night, and returned to the convent safely this morning.—Central News.

EARNINGS IN TEETH!

Oberammergau Christus Pays Dentist Eight Times His Salary.

PARIS, Tuesday. Anton Lang, the Christus of the Passion Play at Oberammergau, has lost his entire summer earnings and much more to a Munich dentist. He received 25,000 marks for nine months' appearance in the play, but a few days ago, after having had his teeth filled, he received a bill for no less than 200,000 marks.

The correspondent of the *New York Herald* (Paris edition) says the financial prospects of Lang and the other directors of the Oberammergau Home Arts Company are brighter since they have succumbed to American capital and signed a contract to send ninety artisans, wood-carvers, and other craftsmen, iron workers and others to the United States next autumn.—Central News.



Anton Lang.

THROWING THE PANCAKE

Schoolboys' Uproarious Struggle in Old-Time Ceremony.

The old-time ceremony of throwing the pancake was performed at Westminster School yesterday immediately following the return of the boys from the state opening of Parliament.

When the stage was set the school cook, preceded by the mace-bearer, made the procession from the kitchen to the hall. "Are you ready? Then, go!" cried the head, and the cook dexterously tossed the pancake over the bar, which is some twelve feet from the floor.

The boys fell upon it like vultures, and after two minutes' struggle one sturdy youth emerged from the pack proudly holding up a large portion of the pancake. And a cry like a war whoop he was adjudged the winner, and pocketed the guinea, which was given as the prize.

JOBS FOR MARCHERS.

Unemployed Find Work on Way to London Demonstration.

Shortly before the route of the royal procession was closed to vehicular traffic yesterday a number of unemployed, wearing red rosettes, paraded Whitehall bearing sandwich boards, on which were the words: "Out-of-work marchers are here, determined to see Bonaparte."

A demonstration took place in Hyde Park later. The National Committee had sent to the provinces appeals for reinforcements, but the appeal almost completely failed.

Some of the marchers, it is said, left the ranks, and at Coventry a number of skilled engineers who had been out of work for over two years succeeded in obtaining temporary jobs.

9 BROTHERS IN THE WAR

Man Who Served Twenty-One Years in Army and Has No Pension.

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Two were now in the infirmary, three were incapacitated and two in the asylum.

Charles Trimley, of Bruce House, King's Cross, was one of these men. He was an unlicensed pedlar, and appeared with his face bandaged. He had, he said, just come from the infirmary, and tried to make a living as an unlicensed pedlar, and was arrested.

He had said his brother, who gave evidence on his behalf—served twenty-one years in the Army, and had no pension, while witness had himself served thirty-one years, and had no pension either. They declined the workhouse and the dole.

The magistrate said it was a clear case for some other body to help. He discharged Charles Trimley.

SIXTY-FOUR FOUND SALMON.

A male salmon, 4ft. 4in. long, computed to have weighed before spawning time 64lb., was found dead on the edge of Basenethwaite Lake, in the parish of Beith, near Glasgow, on the salmon of which there is authentic record.

ESCAPE COMEDY.

Irish Girl Plotters Caught by Supposed Prisoners.

SOLDIERS IN DISGUISE.

Six Irish girls belonging to the rebel organisation, Cumann na Mban, and a prominent irregular named James Forde were arrested at Limerick under sensational circumstances, it was reported yesterday.

They bribed a sentry at the gaol to arrange the escape of thirty prisoners, and at the appointed hour thirty men scaled the wall of the prison and reached the new cemetery, where they were received by the women and Forde.

The women embraced the fugitives and offered them refreshments, which were refused.

Then Forde realised that the men were thirty soldiers in military, who arrested the women. The sentry had reported the affair to his officers.

On the arrival of the mail-boat at Kingstown yesterday morning Free State forces boarded the vessel and seized London newspapers and took them to Portobello barracks.

The Government Publicity Department stated they knew nothing about the seizure.

LANDSLIP HAVOC.

Long Stretch of Road Torn by Boulders Weighing Fifty Tons.

A huge landslip, covering a long stretch of the road leading eastward from Lochinver, Sutherlandshire, has occurred.

The road has been torn by boulders, some of them weighing over fifty tons.

Efforts are to be made to clear a temporary way for the passage of a motor-omnibus, which is the only means of communication for mail and passenger traffic in the district.

ACTRESS WINS CASE.

Miss Daisy Markham Awarded £200 Against Bookmaking Firm.

Miss Daisy Markham, the actress (Mrs. D. A. Moss), won her case in the King's Bench Division yesterday, in which she sued Mr. and Mrs. George Petrides to recover £200 which she had invested in Hulcroft and Co., Ltd., a firm of bookmakers, of Regent-street.

Miss Markham said she had invested through the alleged misrepresentation of defendants that they owned the business, and were making £50 a week profit.

The jury found for Miss Markham, and judgment was given for the amount claimed.

FOOTBALL TEAMS' PIPER

Ancient Game Played on Duke's Estate Ends with Procession.

An ancient game of football was played on the North Demease, opposite Alnwick Castle, yesterday, by permission of the Duke of Northumberland.

Two ecclesiastical parishes—St. Michael's and St. Peter's—again opposed each other.

At the close of the game the teams in procession, headed by the Duke's piper, returned to the castle, where tea was served and the prizes were distributed by the Duke.

NIGHTDRESS ESCAPE.

Strange Court Story of Man's Attempt to Gas Wife.

Serious allegations were brought at Marylebone yesterday against Lawrence Vernon Saville, of Westbourne-terrace, who was remanded in custody on a charge of threatening his wife and of living on her earnings.

When the wife returned to their flat on Sunday afternoon, the prosecution alleged, he attacked her, threatened to strangle her, and stuffing a pillow up the chimney and securing the window and door, turned on the gas.

She was not dead, said the prosecutor, that he intended to take her life. She escaped clad only in a nightdress and a coat and went to the police station.

8,000 MINERS ON STRIKE.

Claim That Minimum Wage Act Is Not Properly Interpreted.

Nearly 8,000 men, employed at three South Shields collieries, came out on strike.

They allege that the Minimum Wage Act is being improperly interpreted in regard to hewers employed in abnormal places.

Miners engaged in a fourth colliery are considering the question of a sympathetic strike.

BOOKBINDERS' DISPUTE.

With the object of preventing an extension of the dispute in the London bookbinding trades as affecting warehousemen and assistants, the Conciliation Committee of the Industrial Council for the printing and allied trades yesterday met representatives of the Printing and Paper Workers' Union with the object of inducing the latter to agree to arbitration.

The Master Printers Association had already intimated that they will accept arbitration.

'MESPOT' HERO'S £10,000 CLAIM.

Court Tales of Captures of Turk Gunboats.

VETERAN'S VICTORY.

Six Ships' Cool Sally Into Town Full of Enemy.

Stirring stories of river fighting in Mesopotamia at the beginning of the war were told in the Prize Court yesterday, when Captain Wilfrid Nunn, D.S.O., claimed, on behalf of the naval forces under his command, £10,195 prize money for the capture or destruction of Turkish vessels.

General Townshend and his staff were on board Captain Nunn's flagship during some of the operations.

On the application of the Crown counsel, Mr. C. W. Lilley, part of the proceedings were taken in camera.

Mr. Lilley said he had to refer to dispatches from General Townshend and others which were described as documents of great secrecy.

GORDON 'RELIC'S' FIGHT.

British Boat Which Was Strained by Every Shot She Fired.

Mr. Wilfred Lewis, for the claimants, said that in November, 1914, a British flotilla of sloops and armed launches was running up and down the Shatt-al-Arab river to Basra, which the Turks were holding in force.

The British went up in the night to north of the Island of Malmeirah and engaged and sank a Turkish gunboat.

A few days later Captain Nunn ran up and engaged the Turkish vessel Marmaris, and sank an unknown Turkish gunboat.

The Turkish gunboat was salvaged and incorporated in the Navy as H.M.S. Flycatcher. Prize bounty was claimed for the Flycatcher and the earlier gunboat.

When he was at Ezra's Tomb Captain Nunn had engaged enemy vessels, including the Marmaris, which had escaped before, and barges full of armed troops were captured, with rifles, machine-guns, and other arms.

After he had steamed ahead the Marmaris was found in flames and captured, with two more Turkish vessels, the Mosul and Bulbul.

The total captures on June 1 and 2 were these ships, seven barges and seven light river craft.

None of Captain Nunn's vessels had armour plating, and rifle fire would have sufficed to sink the whole of his flotilla.

INTO TURK STRONGHOLD.

It was suggested that nearly 1,400 Turks were captured in this engagement also.

Because of the shallows Captain Nunn transferred to the Comet, went on with six other vessels into Amara, which was supposed then to be held in force by Turks, and captured the armed Turkish boats Sebel and Samarra and four armed lighters.

Immediately following 900 Turks surrendered. It was suggested that there were 650 on board these vessels.

In July at Nasiriyah Captain Nunn destroyed a gunboat, which was the last of the vessels for which he was claiming.

She was sunk by the Shushan, a stern-paddle boat which had been built for the relief of General Gordon in Khartoum.

Mr. Lewis said he hoped he should not be prosecuted by the authorities for revealing the history of this antiquated vessel. She had on board a 12-pounder, which always strained her timbers badly when it was fired.

The officer who manned it, Mr. Seymour, destroyed the gunboat with his third shot. She burst into flames and, with an explosion, sank.

After hearing part of it, the court, in *ex camera*, Sir Henry Duke, the President, reserved judgment.

OTHER NEWS IN BRIEF.

To-day's Weather.—Occasional rain or drizzle. Further outlook: Unsettled generally.

Their Lucky Thirteen.—The parents of thirteen, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Guy, have celebrated their golden wedding near Petersfield.

Skipper's Golden Wedding.—Sea Captain and Mrs. Joseph Roberts, of Glanva, Portmadoc, have just celebrated their golden wedding.

Lives on the Weekly.—A Russian Jew told the Thames Police Court magistrate yesterday that he was able to keep himself on 10s. a week.

Jersey's Anti-Tax Stand.—Jersey Islanders, at a mass meeting, have unanimously resolved to resist direct contributions to the Imperial Exchequer.

Last of the Orion.—The battleship Orion, which is to be broken up under the Washington Agreement, has left Plymouth for the ship-breakers.

Motor Suspects Arrested.—Two men have been detained by the Sutton police in connection with alleged robberies of motors and household property.

ECONOMY CALL IN THE KING'S SPEECH TO M.Ps.

Reduced Expenditure Essential to Relieve Heavy Burden of Taxpayers.

RUHR POLICY: NO ACT TO RETARD FRANCE

Financial Aid to Revive Agriculture—Only Part of New Rent Plans To Be Adopted by Cabinet?

When the King opened Parliament yesterday his Speech from the Throne foreshadowed the introduction of important legislation.

Stress was laid on the heavy financial burdens of the country and "reductions in public expenditure are essential." To alleviate unemployment, special measures of relief will be continued.

Regarding the French occupation of the Ruhr, the policy of the Government is "not to add to the difficulties of our Allies." Hopes are expressed that Turkey will eventually sign the Near East Treaty.

Credit facilities to revive agriculture are proposed, and local taxation reforms are contemplated. "Certain" of the new rent control recommendations will be embodied in a Bill.

NEW HOUSING BILL AND LOCAL TAXATION REFORM.

Credit Facilities Proposed for Farmers.

"CERTAIN" RENT CHANGES.

Accompanied by the Queen, and with the Prince of Wales and the Duke of York also present, the King yesterday opened Parliament in state. Legislation to be proposed by the Government during the session was outlined in the following Speech from the Throne:—

My Lords and Members of the House of Commons:—

The conference which was held in London early in December on the subject of the payment of reparations by Germany was resumed in Paris in January. I greatly regret that it proved impossible to reach a general agreement.

The French and Belgian Governments have therefore proceeded to put into force the plan which they favoured, and the Italian Government have countenanced their action.

My Government, while feeling unable either to concur or participate in this operation, are acting in such a way as not to add to the difficulties of their Allies.

During the past three months the Plenipotentiaries of my Government, in conjunction with those of the other Allied Powers, have been engaged at Lausanne in a sincere and patient effort to bring to a close the conditions of warfare which for over eight years have desolated the regions of the Near East.

NEAR EAST HOPES.

I greatly regret that in spite of the conciliatory spirit shown by the Allies and of the immense concessions which they were prepared to make the Treaty, when on the verge of signature, was declined by the Turkish delegation.

But I cherish the hope that when a full report of the proceedings has reached the Turkish Government the latter may still be disposed to accept the Treaty.

Members of the House of Commons:—

The Estimates for the public service in the coming year will be laid before you in due course. The financial burdens of the country are heavy, and reductions in public expenditure remain essential to the well-being of the State.

My Lords and Members of the House of Commons:—

The serious state of unemployment among my people causes me the deepest concern, and must continuously engage the attention of my Ministers.

Full effect will be given to the special measures which have been initiated to afford relief to the situation.

AGRICULTURAL BURDENS.

The condition of agriculture continues to receive the careful consideration of my Ministers. With a view to the alleviation of some of the difficulties in the industry you will be invited to consider proposals for granting credit facilities to agriculturists.

The anomalies and inequalities of the present system of local taxation have long called for reform, and my Ministers are examining the whole question.

It is hoped that it may be found practicable to deal with the subject on a comprehensive basis, and in particular to remove some of the burdens which press on the agricultural industry.

Among the measures which will be presented for your consideration will be Bills dealing with unemployment, insurance benefit, housing, trade boards and industrial assurance.

The Departmental Committees appointed to consider the operation of the Increase of Rent and Mortgage Interest (Restrictions) Act has now made its final reports, and proposals will be made to you to carry into effect certain of the Committee's recommendations.

SPARKLING SPLENDOR OF THE STATE OPENING.

Silver and Gold Pageant in Peereses' Gallery.

THE KING'S SONS ATTEND.

Lowering clouds and a heavy dampness in the atmosphere robbed the opening of Parliament by the King of much of its splendour.

The King and Queen drove from Buckingham Palace in the state coach drawn by eight bay horses with postilions, escorted by Life Guards. The route was lined by officers and men of the Brigade of Guards.

A few minutes before the procession reached the House of Lords the Prince of Wales, followed by the Duke of York, arrived and waited at Victoria Tower to greet their Majesties.

The Prince looked well in his Welsh Guards' uniform with grey overcoat and black bearskin. The Duke of York, with Wing-Commander Louis Greig, did not wear uniform, and drove in his car quite informally.

In the House of Lords the attendance of peers and peeresses was distinctly smaller than on recent State openings, but it lost little of its brilliancy or of the riot of colours which is characteristic of the ceremonial.

QUEEN'S FAMOUS DIAMONDS.

The King wore his crown and State robes, and the Queen was adorned with the customary famous diamonds which she wears on State occasions.

Peers wore their scarlet ermine-trimmed robes and peeresses were in full Court dress, with a profusion of jewels.

Many well-known ladies had chosen black as providing the best background for jewels and orders.

The Duchess of Devonshire wore moonlight blue with beaded fringes; the Duchess of Somerset had a black jetted gown, and the Duchess of Buckingham and Chandos, black embroidered satin, with an old lace cloak.

The Duchess of Rutland, with a green and diamond headress, wore a black gown. The Marchioness of Anglesey, who with her husband, wore black, beneath a white and black fur bordered cloak, and Marie Marquise of Queensberry was one of the many in gold brocade.

Mrs. Asquith had an Indian red and gold gown, of Egyptian design, and Mrs. Lloyd George wore gold and white brocade, her daughter, Miss Megan Lloyd George, being dressed in a draped frock of cyclamen mauve crepe.

M.P.s GET TO WORK.

Plea for Bonds Between Britain and France To Be Strengthened.

When the Commons settled down to business the Address was moved by Mr. Samuel Roberts (Hereford), who observed that foreign affairs occupied a foremost place in their minds. Their hearts went out to France, even if they were not able to follow her with their heads.

There was great disappointment at the failure of the negotiations at Lausanne. The Turk appeared to be again trying his old game of trading on the lion's tail, but, though the lion might be tired of unrest and deeply desirous of peace, he was still alive. (Laughter.)

He felt convinced that this Parliament, which had a long life before it, would succeed in its policy of economy and reduction of national expenditure.

Seconding the resolution, Mr. Collingwood Hughes said the friendly spirit which had existed between ourselves and France for so many years should be sedulously encouraged and made more permanent.

He expressed felicitations at the birth of a grandson to their Majesties and the engagement of the Duke of York.



Map showing where the collision involving the express train from Doncaster to London occurred early yesterday morning.

TWO MORE RHINE TOWNS OCCUPIED BY TROOPS.

France Extends Embargo on Ruhr Exports.

PRESIDENT EBERT BANNED.

Belgian and French troops have occupied Wesen and Elmerich (on the right bank of the Rhine), so as to control all the Customs doors of the Rhine, the *Petit Journal* (quoted by Exchange) stated yesterday.

It would seem, adds the newspaper, that the intention is to form a kind of frontier parallel with the Rhine, and joining the three bridge-heads at Mayence, Coblenz and Cologne. The occupation of Wesen and Elmerich gives the two Allies control all water traffic to Holland.

The Dusseldorf correspondent of the *Echo de Paris* says that, in order to render the Customs measures more efficacious it is possible that Darnstadt will be occupied forthwith. This town is at the extreme limit of the bridge-head.

THYSEN'S PRONOUNCEMENT.

The *Petit Journal* says that neither in French circles nor at the Italian Embassy in Paris is any information obtainable regarding the reported Italian representations to Berlin for the settlement of the Ruhr conflict.

The special correspondent of the *Echo de Paris* at Essen reports the following pronouncement made by Herr Thyssen: "We can hold out for two months if France cuts off the export of coal; one month if she cuts off the export of metallurgical products, and a week if she prohibits the import of iron."

All exports from the Ruhr to unoccupied Germany have been forbidden with the exception of food, cereals and manures, Reuter reported yesterday.

The Mayor of Offenburg has received instructions from the French commander to prohibit President Ebert's entry into the occupied zone, says the Central News.

ISMET GOES TO SMYRNA.

Talk with Kemal and Army Chiefs to Decide Treaty Question.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Tuesday.

Ismet Pasha arrives to-day aboard the Ghudjermal. He will immediately go to Smyrna for the purpose of having a special meeting with Mustafa Kemal and the army chiefs, in order to decide whether or not the Lausanne Treaty shall be signed.—Exchange.

It is understood that the British Government is now ready to rally to the French point of view regarding the Turkish Treaty, says the *Paris edition of the Chicago Tribune*, and that Lord Curzon's note to General Harrington embraces acceptance of the arrangements desired by the French.

General Harrington will advise Ismet Pasha of his Government's attitude, and it is expected that with these assurances Ismet will be able to induce the National Assembly at Angora to accept the Treaty draft as laid down by the Allies.

In such conditions the peace treaty would probably be signed at Constantinople within a few weeks.

HERO'S PAWNED MEDAL.

Redeemed by Guardians and Restored to Unemployed Ex-Soldiers.

Being out of work, Frederick William Tupples, one of five soldier sons of a Poole man, was obliged to pawn his Military Medal.

Members of the Board of Guardians, however, redeemed it for him, and at a meeting of the Board, the chairman pinned the medal on the man's breast, recalling how he gained it by rescuing an officer under heavy shell fire.

3 KILLED IN SCOTCH EXPRESS SMASH.

Dash Into Goods Train in Dense Fog.

ENGINE'S SOMERSAULT.

Theory That Driver Could Not See Signals.

During a dense fog yesterday morning the southward Scotch express—the Flying Scotsman—ran into a stationary goods train outside Retford, Nottingham, shortly after five o'clock.

Three men—the driver, fireman and an inspector, who was travelling on the engine—were killed, and the guard was cut about the head, but not seriously.

Most of the passengers were asleep at the time. Beyond severe shaking, none of them were injured, although many of them had remarkable escapes. The first coach was partially telescoped.

The men killed (all of whom were married) were:—

John Jubb, driver, of South-street, Doncaster.

G. W. Robb, fireman, of South-street, Doncaster.

A. P. Turner, locomotive inspector, of Childers-street, Doncaster.

The goods train was wrecked, and the engine of the express turned a complete somersault. Two coaches were thrown across the permanent way.

The crash and the noise of escaping steam were heard by people in the neighbourhood, but owing to the darkness and the fog they had no idea what had happened.

LINE STREWN WITH DEBRIS.

As soon as possible breakdown gangs from Doncaster and Peterborough were rushed to the scene, and were engaged for several hours in clearing the line, which was strewn with fish and farm produce, as well as the debris of the damaged coaches.

The express usually passes the scene of the accident on the up line. Through the interlocking system of signalling, the fact of the cross line being set for a change-over from down to up would prevent "all clear" signals being given to the express as it approached Retford.

It was stated at Retford Station that, so far as could be ascertained, the driver of the express must have run past his signals in the fog.

Both main lines were blocked for a considerable period, and traffic had to be diverted via Lincoln, causing much delay and inconvenience. The express was due at King's Cross at 7.55 a.m. There were comparatively few passengers, and these reached King's Cross by another train at 11.35.

On the train was William Trotter, the guard of the express, whose head was severely injured in bandages. He said he was getting on comfortably. Both Jubb and Robb leave families.

FRANCE'S NEW NAVAL PLANS

Many Submarines and Aeroplanes, but No Ironclads.

The French Minister of Marine, according to the *Matin*, quoted by the Exchange, is completing his naval programme. The proposed constitution of the fleet will be completed in twenty years, and will at the end of that time amount to a tonnage of 700,000, including auxiliary ships.

Included in this amount the tonnage of submarines will be 65,000, and that of aeroplane carriers 80,000.

During the first eight years no ironclads will be constructed, but only light vessels, including six cruisers, thirty-five torpedo-boats or torpedo-boat destroyers and thirty-two submarines. The sum of £16,000,000 (nominal value) will be required for this work, and this sum will be spent during the eight years in equal instalments.

TOMB SEARCHERS' FEAR.

New Difficulty in Unsealing of Luxor Inner Chamber.

Great progress has been made in the preparations for the unsealing of the inner chamber of Tutankhamen's tomb in the Valley of Kings, near Luxor, says Reuter.

The unsealing of the inner room is now likely to take place this early next week. Apparently, however, doubts have arisen as to whether the rocky walls of the chamber will withstand the effect of a sudden removal of the cement filling which has blocked the gap for more than 3,000 years.

The excavators assume that the wall of the sealed chamber is 2ft. 6in. thick.

DROWNED IN WISHING POOL.

Found drowned at Sedgley, Staffordshire, in a pool, was the body of a young man, and is known as the Wishing Pool, a verdict of Suicide while of unsound mind was returned yesterday on Millicent Fanny Bullock, aged twenty, who was stated to have had a nervous breakdown and been much depressed.

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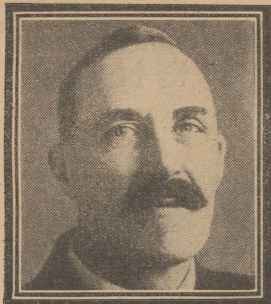
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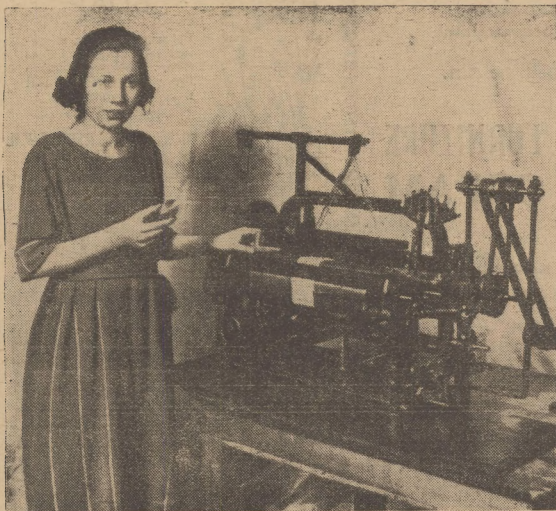
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Colonel Josiah Wedgwood, D.S.O., M.P. (left), and Mr. W. Adamson, M.P., have been appointed Governors of Birmingham University. This is the first time that Labour representatives have been so elected at Birmingham.



WEAVING FOR THE QUEEN.—A miniature loom at Belfast and its attendant. On this all the linen for the Queen's wonderful doll's house is being woven. Although so small, its mechanism is perfect.



CHAMPION AT 11!—Although only eleven, little Miss Delorais de Pearce won the women's fancy skating championship at the winter sports carnival in Central Park, New York.



Charles Osborn, one of two Deal boatmen presented with Royal Humane Society's medals for rescuing two fishermen from drowning.

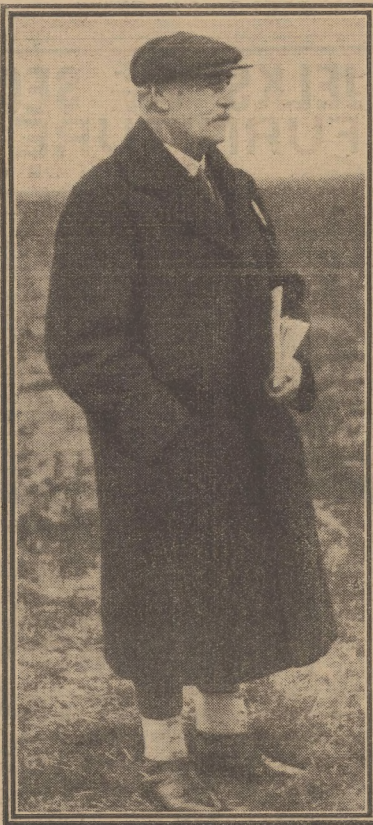


Charles Williams, also awarded a medal, Bailey and Brown, the men rescued, were, with nets and catch, under their overturned boat.

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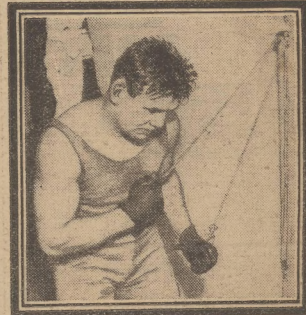
Thomas Stanley Wright, who, though only fifteen, is 6ft. 4½in. tall, is claimed to be England's biggest schoolboy. He attends Hilderthorpe Council School, Bridlington. His weight is 11st. 11½lb.



HIS FIFTY-FOURTH.—Mr. John Mugleston, who for many years has been the hon. secretary of the famous Waterloo Cup Meeting, will this week see his fifty-fourth Waterloo Cup.



IN A NEW FILM.—Mr. Arthur Cullin has left for Egypt, where he will play a leading part in the Gaumont film, "Fires of Fate," to be made at Wady Halfa.



BECKETT INJURED.—Joe Beckett, whose contest with Dick Smith arranged for next Monday has again been postponed owing to an injury to the champion's left hand. (Daily Mirror.)



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THE KING'S SPEECH.

IN customary non-committal phrases the King's Speech yesterday reviewed the programme for the coming session.

It responds to our forecast, both as regards home and foreign affairs.

It favourably comments on the "determination of our people to meet their obligations"—in other words, to pay our War Debt to the United States.

The comments made by the man in the street on this matter are less favourable.

The "determination of our people" is not indefinite. It does not, it will not, extend to any new warlike manoeuvres in the Near East.

Therefore we welcome the official assurance that, when the full report of the proceedings at Lausanne has reached the Turkish Government, "the latter may still be disposed to accept the Treaty."

In any case the field is open to negotiation here. Our people want an end of "the conditions of warfare which for over eight years have desolated the Near East."

Even more welcome, however, is the admission that our "determination" is flagging under the heavy financial burdens put upon us—not by necessity, but by avoidable waste. *Reductions in public expenditure remain essential to the well-being of the State.*

We believe that the new Government will stand or fall, as it remembers or forgets that admonition.

TOMBS OF EGYPT.

SIR RIDER HAGGARD has enlarged upon the suggestion made in this column a few days ago—that there should be limits to the ardour of archaeology, as applied to the uprooting of long-dead Kings and the prying into desecrated tombs in Egypt.

Please do not suppose that we sentimentalise foolishly!

These tombs, like the old Mycenae of Homer, are "rich in gold"; and, if we do not plunder them, no doubt somebody else would. And there are always the claims of knowledge, so suddenly widened, as regards ancient Egypt, by the latest "marvellous discoveries."

All that Sir Rider Haggard asks—all that we have ever ventured to hint—is that the dead bodies of a long-vanished race should be accorded the same respect as would be shown to Christians of another age.

For Egypt shared the Christian faith in survival—held it more pathetically, more tragically, so to speak, inasmuch as her people believed in some necessary link between the escaped soul and the imprisoned body.

What then would they have thought had they seen a spectacle like that provided for years in the British Museum—an uncovered corpse exposed in a stone coffin for the small boy to mock at?

Might they not have quoted from the tomb of our greatest poet at Stratford and echoed the rough lines?

Good friend, for Jesus' sake, forbear To digge the bones enclosed here!

Our own prominent Churchmen will not be accused of caring for "antiques"—they who are preparing to destroy some of our finest City churches.

But perhaps, on mere religious grounds, they will join Sir Rider Haggard in suggesting that archaeology should not abolish the customary respect for the dead—even as regards a people who came before the revelation of the gospels. W. M.

A THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY.

I have observed that too much idleness fills up a man's time much more completely, and leaves him less his own master than any sort of employment whatsoever.—Burke.

OUR READERS ON THE RUHR

A Selection from Thousands of Letters Sent In for Our Eight Million Marks Competition.

WHAT GREAT BRITAIN SHOULD DO.

WE print below a further selection of letters from those sent in for our recent competition on the Ruhr crisis:

FROM BELGIUM.

IT is at once a duty and a stern necessity for Great Britain to join with the action of France and Belgium in the Ruhr.

She must aid them to get payment from the Germans (who are dishonest debtors) for the ruin caused by them. Justice must be done! Civilised nations must open their eyes to the

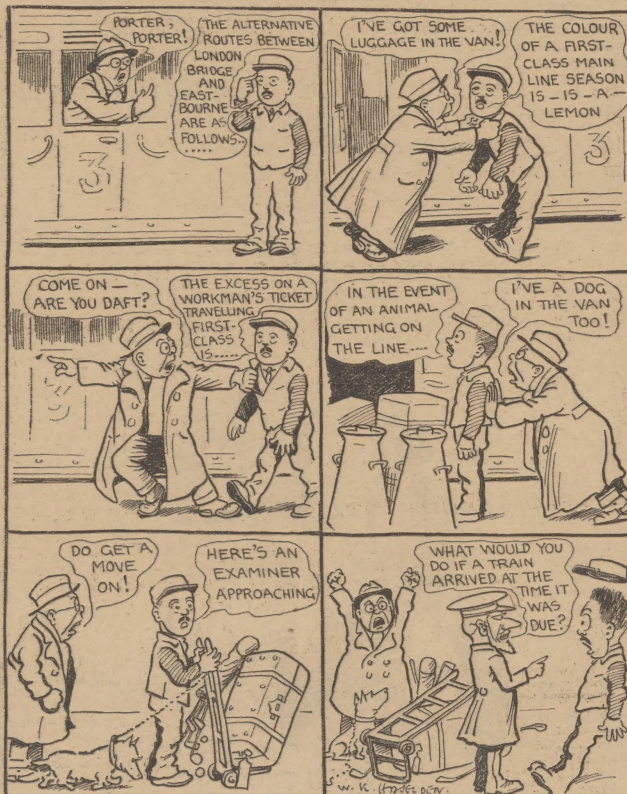
PRESERVE THE ENTENTE.

WE should support France morally and mutually. The future of the British Empire in Asia may easily lie in the Ruhr.

If we wish to avoid serious trouble Anglo-French relations must be consolidated; otherwise our policy of pro-Finnishness will assuredly sever the Entente and recoil upon ourselves. With the Entente severed, Turkey would probably go for us, Russia would join her, and Germany would support her old ally.

Unless we assist France, whatever she collects will rightly be her own; for us, no work, no

THE EXAMINATION SYSTEM ON OUR RAILWAYS.



It is said that surprise questions are to be put to porters and others on certain of our railways. Won't this rather hamper their work?

fact that Germany is blinding them by her perfidy and her falsehoods while she prepares a new war. When financial intrigue gives place to human duty European settlement and world peace will be re-established. (Translated.)

MME. JULIEN LENARS.
Rue de la Brasserie, Brussels.

"THEY MUST LEARN."

ASSUMING France violates none of the Peace Treaties, justice demands that England must stand by her in reasonable enforcement of reparations.

Germany began and lost the war, therefore she, and not her conquerors, should suffer most. German magnates must honour Germany's debts, and not enrich themselves at the Allies' expense.

Most of all, the German Government and people must learn by force, when reason fails, that the world can only be reconstructed and made fit to live in when righteousness and justice are the principles that govern mankind.

L. W. GOUNDEY.
Longford, Eaglescliffe, S.O.

IF ONLY...

IF England had allowed the French to invade Germany immediately after the war, as she wished to do, the Germans, who know all about making war and peace, would have thoroughly understood, and would now be paying up as quickly as the French did after the Franco-German war of 1870.

But as England prevented France at the end of the war, the least she can do now is to in no way impede her.

The English do not really know or understand how to make war and peace as the Continental nations do.
W. J. EVANS (Lieut. Col.).
Brynair, Tealy, S. Wales.

pay. Therefore, British taxpayers (not German) will provide America's £300,000,000.

MARK GILBERT.
64, Victoria-street, Westminster.

HONOUR AND FRIENDSHIP.

SUPPORT France! Honour, friendship, right. So all demand that we stand by our Ally, and extract from Germany the wealth she is jealously hoarding. Debts must be paid. While we "stand-by," Germany has time to evolve fresh plans and trickery with which to wriggle out of her obligations.

Since the Armistice, Germany has not ceased to work. Factories are running at full speed. Work means wealth to a country. Let Germany be forced to pay.

France is right, and we should add our pressure to hers, and do it at once. The past, present and future demand it.

Mrs. E. HAWKES-CORNOCK.
Merrifield Cottage, Looe, Cornwall.

JUSTICE.

GRAT BRITAIN should actively support France by reinforcing the Army of Occupation, that Germany may understand clearly that the indemnity is paid they will be in the same position as France in 1871.

Germany can pay. She suffered least at home, her land was not devastated, her industries were well equipped for resumption of work immediately after the armistice. Her people pay lower taxes than their victors, they have no unemployment problem to face, and consequently are better able to pay their indemnity than was France in 1871; yet France paid in full without pressure.

Justice is the purchase price of peace.
GEORGE E. FIELD.
11, Vernon-road, Seven Kings, Essex.

"DRESSING UP" AS A CURE FOR GLOOM.

WHY COSTUME BALLS ARE SO POPULAR.

By ALAN HARRIS.

THE fancy dress ball season was in full swing right up to the beginning of Lent to-day.

"Let's dress up" is a magic prescription when a party isn't "going."

Dressing up gives us relief from the continual facts of everyday life. It helps us to escape from our own personalities. It loosens the bonds of convention, making us irresponsible, and, in a way, more natural.

Fancy dress covers a multitude of audacities. A shy man in ordinary life might find himself inspired to unthinkable daring if he were dressed as an Ancient Briton.

Many people are doomed to go through life in clothes which are hopelessly unbecoming to them.

A girl may perhaps be plain except for a mass of golden hair. In ordinary life she has comparatively little chance of showing it off; but when she appears as a Saxon maiden, "You'd be surprised."

Or perhaps her eyes are her only good point. Then the dress of an Eastern lady shows her at her best.

Probably she would not have the courage to appear at a theatre in a white wig and a patch, however well they suited her; but an eighteenth century costume would give her her opportunity.

Men often welcome dressing up even more than women, because their ordinary clothes are so much more limited.

GET EXPERT ADVICE.

If a man is proud of his leg, there is Tudor dress or Greek dress; if he has finely-shaped hands, Poudre costume with its lace ruffles. Even if he is prematurely bald he can forget his sorrow as a Cavalier; and when his figure is no longer what it was, he will look quite appropriate as an old Sultan—far better than in a rather tightly-fitting lounge suit.

Many of us seem to be misfits in the age in which we live in clothes as well as ideas; but most of us have our "period" with which we feel we would harmonise; and we rejoice at the rare chance of dressing accordingly to it.

It is a pity that so many people are careless about finding their "periods," or lack all power to see themselves as others see them.

Given a chance of dressing up, the stout woman of uncertain age is sure to appear as a shy and fugitive nymph; while the heavy business man, with an aldermanic figure, derives his inspiration from the Apollo Belvedere. The pale and spindly-shanked student is irresistibly drawn to impersonate Goliath or the Village Blacksmith.

We have by now steeled ourselves just to bear this kind of thing at the opera, but without that excuse it is intolerable. As a critic remarked recently: "A care-man in horn-rimmed spectacles simply will not do."

There are plenty of experts to advise the doubtful on matters of ordinary dress. Why not fancy-dress experts who can tell by looking at people what their "periods" are, to be consulted before great occasions? They might soon become quite as popular as fortune-tellers, and be performing a useful function in society.

I commend the idea to the costumiers.

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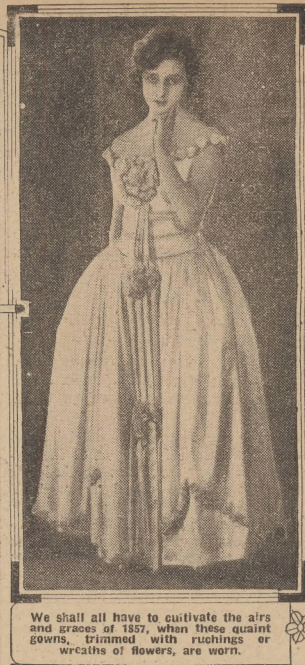
The gown of the moment in a bright satin-backed morcelain. Its only trimming is a buckle at the hip and two strips of bright embroidery.



Straw hats of the chady type are being worn on the Riviera and show us our millinery fate this summer. Some have soft crowns of charmeuse.



Others are made of rather coarse light straw so beautiful that no trimming is needed—but the brim has vandykes or ruchings of ribbon at the edge.



We shall all have to cultivate the airs and graces of 1857, when these quaint gowns, trimmed with ruchings or wreaths of flowers, were worn.

THE MANNEQUIN. A TWENTIETH-CENTURY PRODUCT, SHE HAS COME TO STAY.

CONSIDER the mannequin of to-day—that strange product of modernity who walks, superbly sure of herself and apparently contemptuously oblivious of the onlooker,



Margot, London's latest mannequin.

through the salons of the dress designer clad in all the glory of the newest gown.

She has been taught just how to do it: hours of walking about with a book on her head have given her that poised—the art of lifting one arm slowly and steadily to a certain angle has cost her days of practice before a mirror.

They look like queens, but they are on duty from 9.30 in the morning until six at night, and their salary is from three to five pounds a week. They toil not, neither do they spin—but they must spend much time in keeping their complexions beautiful, their hair well groomed, their hands manicured. For the rest, they act as living "dress stands" when the draping of a gown is being done by a designer; they get into twenty, thirty or forty frocks in the course of a day—and often supplement their earnings by showing dresses at night in dance clubs.

What are the qualifications? A certain natural grace, an adaptability, an immense patience and a perfect figure. What becomes of mannequins? They are too new for an answer. Matrimony has absorbed many. There is no other obvious future for them.

MAKE THEM YOURSELF.

DO not look on little luxuries and sigh because you haven't got them—just make them for yourself.

For instance, those pretty, long-handled puffs that are so popular. A pad of cotton-wool backed with silk and covered with white bunny fur can be bound on a piece of stout cane or bamboo. This must be wound round with a strip of calico or of knitting and then with inch-wide ribbon in pink or blue or mauve. The whole cost would be two or three shillings.

In the same way you can buy cheap unpainted coat-hangers and pad them with cotton-wool, scent them slightly or tie a little bag of lavender on either end and cover them with gaily-patterned silk, sewing round and round at intervals of two inches. Delightful sets of glass toilet bottles can be achieved if you save your old scent bottles. Soak off the labels, paint a design upon them in oil paints, and when dry, varnish it. Wash them yourself, and they will last for a long time.

THE DEATH OF COURTSHIP

WHY YOUNG GIRLS DON'T GET VALENTINES.

By FLORENCE WILLOUGHBY.

THIS is St. Valentine's Day—a date few any longer remember. Which is perhaps a pity.

It is a pity (some of us think), not only because the drawing of lots on this day, and the sending of ornamental notes bearing images of hearts trimmed by arrows was a pretty, harmless custom, but because this second death of good St. Valentine, "Priest and Martyr," implies also the passing of a whole world of delicate delays and courtesies of courtship.

So, at least, it seems to me, who am possibly "old-fashioned." True, I do not remember the tender-hearted Valentine.

I have seen specimens of the old stuffed missives, fringed with an array of paper lace and accompanied by sentimental mottoes, only in old scrapbooks. I never received one of them—even when I was young.

In my day the serious Valentine was already extinct. The lovers' Saint was already mocked by parodies of the genuine article—practical joke Valentines, revealing butchers' boys surprising housemaids with red-nosed comic jokes.

But in my youth maidens were still "courted" and still became engaged and were engagement rings—only one at a time!—and, in fact, rejoiced in the sweet ceremonies of falling in love, with the appropriate hesitations and the traditional coyness.

These hesitations and all that ceremony are to-day extinct.

They have perished with the Valentine, which was but their symptom or symbol. That is what I mean when I say that the death of

St. Valentine means more to girls and boys of to-day than the loss of a letter with a post-war postage stamp on it.

Delays, delicacy!—where are they?

A boy's manners are dictated by the manners of the girl of the period. Is she a shrinking, evasive creature, like those revived for us, at a distance of thirty years, by so comparatively recent a play as "Sweet Lavender"? Then he will be correspondingly timid in his approach to her.

But how would she—the typical girl—reply to him if he approached her in that way now?

I fear she wouldn't even give him the chance.

For, see, as soon as he's entered the room, she has "approached" him. Observe, she has slapped him on the back. Note, she has left the mark of a tiny powdered hand on his dress suit. Listen! She has saluted him as "Old thing."

This is courtship. He responds to it. For him she is "Old sport." Her name is no longer sonorous—the Dorothy, Jane, Annabel or So-and-So of the Valentine period. She is Fluff, or Tim, or Teddy or Bones—anything that indicates a casual comradeship, rather than a heart transfixed with passion.

Am I justified in concluding that passion is no longer tender, but often crude and vulgar?

Perhaps I exaggerate. No doubt there are still eligible "Valentines" extant—maidens who are not tomboys. If so, they must regret, on this fourteenth of February, that no amorous youth thought of sending them Valentines, because they were too retiring to be noticed at the last Jazz Ball.



Would the modern girl be scornful of the attentions that delighted her grandmother? No one really knows.

PERFECT PORRIDGE.

WE have lost the gentle art of porridge-making nowadays. We hurry over it, and porridge, real porridge, as our grandmothers understood it, must not, and cannot, be hurried over. The making of it is a fine art, and in the old days it was one which mattered enormously.

The old-fashioned method of making porridge was to take a quart of water, two small teaspoonsful of salt and boil them together; then scatter in the oatmeal a little at a time, using as much oatmeal as was required for the desired consistency of the porridge. The porridge was boiled over a slow fire for about three-quarters of an hour and stirred all the time!

The serving of it was considered as important as the slow fire in the boiling. It was served in basins, made warm to receive it, sugar or salt was served with it according to taste, and always on the top was a lump of butter.

Milk porridge is particularly nourishing. The old-fashioned way of making this is to mix a good tablespoonful of oatmeal with three or four of cold water. Make into a smooth paste and stir it into a pint of boiling water and boil for about ten minutes; then strain it through muslin and warm through with about half a pint of milk, adding sugar to taste.

WASHING WOOLLIES.

IF your woollens have shrunk and become a bad shape in the wash, it is probably because of one or other of the following reasons:—

1. The water has been too hot—it should only be lukewarm, and if hard, should have a little ammonia added to it.

2. Soap has been rubbed on them, instead of soap-jelly or shredded soap-being used.

3. They have been roughly treated, whereas they should be just gently squeezed and kneaded between the fingers in the soapy lather until thoroughly cleansed.

4. They have been rinsed in too hot or cold water. Plenty of warm water is needed, two or three lots, sometimes. The woollens after rinsing should feel soft to the touch, then be wrung out as dry as possible and shaken well.

5. They have been allowed to lie about wet, instead of being hung up to dry immediately. If possible, they should be dried in the open air in a good wind and not too bright a sun; but, failing this, they should be put into a warm atmosphere, where they will dry quickly, be turned once or twice and pulled into shape.

6. They have been ironed while wet with a very hot iron. When they are nearly dry they should be ironed with a rather cool iron.

WOMAN OF THE WEEK.

MRS. STANLEY BALDWIN, C.B.E., THE NEW HOSTESS AT 11, DOWNING-ST.

MRS. STANLEY BALDWIN, the wife of the Chancellor of the Exchequer, who began her career as the new hostess at 11, Downing-street last Monday by giving a "hen" party before Lady Londonderry's big reception, will be a very important social figure this coming season, since No. 10, lacks a permanent hostess.

Mrs. Baldwin is very popular, and easily recognisable at any reception she attends, since she is invariably well-dressed and carries herself with dignity. Although she is tremendously interested in her husband's career, she is essentially a home-builder, and the newly-decorated No. 11 will be just as attractive as she has planned it as it was during the reign of Mrs. Austen Chamberlain. The chief difference is in the paint, which is now white throughout—a great improvement, especially to the hall.

The long drawing-room, with its fireplace at each end and its three wide windows, with glimpses of the trees and beds of the "Treasury" and "No. 10" gardens, will be much in demand for meetings and concerts, and organisers of plans for making money for charity are already writing to Mrs. Baldwin. In her daughter, Miss Betty Baldwin, she will have a clever co-hostess, and both of them made themselves really popular when they went over to America with the Chancellor of the Exchequer, both with their fellow-countrymen on board the *Majestic* and with Americans when they arrived—not always an easy achievement!

THE MORNING BEND.

THE middle-aged woman is apt to have a prejudice against stooping to pick things up, or dust the legs of the chairs, or tie her shoe strings. She lets herself get stiff without noticing it.

Yet it is quite unnecessary! If you would keep the suppleness of youth, all you need is the right exercise. It is such a simple one that it can be made as much a part of getting up and going to bed as doing your hair or washing your face—only it must be done shoeless and corsetless.

Put your hands straight up from the shoulder, lift your head, and draw in a long breath. Then stoop and touch your toes without bending the knees. You may not be able to do this at first, but the ability will come. Repeat this six times every night and morning—remembering to lift your head well when standing upright, and you will soon forget your objection to stooping.



Mrs. Stanley Baldwin, C.B.E.



A new portrait of Viscountess Boyle, sister of Lord Lascelles, who is acting as chateleine at Chesham House.



Mr. Robert P. Skinner, the American Consul-General in London, who has just returned from a trip to New York.

PARLIAMENT AGAIN.

Labour Leaders and Peers—What Motorists Want—Will Mr. Asquith Go?

THE KING OPENED PARLIAMENT yesterday, and everyone concerned seems to think it is going to be a lively and contentious session. There was the usual splendid gathering in the House of Lords for the King's Speech. His Majesty seemed in excellent health, and his voice was clear and resonant. The Queen made a brilliant figure, wearing splendid jewels, which included a wonderful crown of diamonds and sapphires. The Prince of Wales and the Duke of York, both still boyish in appearance, were present in their state robes.

Germany and France!

The German Ambassador sat next to the French Ambassador, the Comte de Saint-Aulaire. They shook hands on arrival, but hardly spoke during the long interval which elapsed before the royal party arrived. There was a large muster of Labour leaders, some of whom, I noticed, were introduced by Lady Astor to peers.

Handsome Robes.

The Duchess of Devonshire wore moonlight blue, with beaded fringes; the Duchess of Somerset had a black-jetted gown, and the Duchess of Buckingham and Chandos, black embroidered satin, with an old lace cloak. The Duchess of Rutland, with a green and diamond headdress, wore a black gown. The Marchioness of Anglesey, who was with her husband, wore black, beneath a white and black fur bordered cloak.

Father and Son.

The House of Commons was crowded during the early hours of the debate, and everybody seemed glad to be back again. The speeches on the whole were good. Mr. S. Roberts, sitting next to his father, Sir Samuel Roberts, an anxious and sympathetic listener, moved the Address in a bright and fluent speech, and Mr. Collingwood Hughes, the member for Peckham, creditably acquitted himself. Both mover and seconder were in Court dress.

In Merry Mood.

Mr. Asquith, who followed Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, was in happy mood, and kept the House merry, in spite of the troubles which have been brewing at his headquarters in Abingdon-street. Mr. J. M. Hogge, sitting beside Mr. Pringle (one of the few silk-hatted men in the House) on a back bench, beamed upon his old chief during the delivery of his speech. Mr. Lloyd George, still bronzed by his visit to sunny Spain, was also in his corner seat just below the Opposition gangway.

Too Catching!

When the S.S. Adriatic called recently at Athens, only some 200 of the 2,000 passengers on the liner disembarked, so great was the fear of the epidemic. Among those who landed were Mr. G. P. Putnam, the well-known American publisher, and Miss Elsie Janis, who, with her mother, spent the afternoon visiting the two new American orphanages recently opened in the Greek capital, and at each of which she entertained the children.



Miss Elsie Janis.

American Novelist.

Mr. Hamlin Garland, the American novelist, is to revisit England this summer. He will be entertained (as before) by the English-Speaking Union, and will discuss on "Memories of the Middle Border," in which he deals with the romance of the pioneer days in the States. Miss Garland collaborates with her father in his lectures, and, dressed in the costumes of bygone days, gives readings from his works.

TO-DAY'S GOSSIP

News and Views About Men, Women and Affairs in General

Lord Darynton.

Mr. Pike Pease, who was recently raised to the peerage, has, I hear, decided to take the title of Lord Darynton. The ex-M.P. was desirous of taking the title of Darlington, his old constituency, but this was impossible, since it was the second title of the Dukes of Cleveland. It is an interesting coincidence that Mr. Pike Pease has as his first opponent at Darlington Sir Owen Phillips, who has simultaneously been raised to the peerage.

"Wee Freee!" Plight.

It was being said in political circles yesterday that Mr. Asquith's curt treatment of Mr. J. M. Hogge may very soon complete his own political downfall. Mr. Hogge is not big enough to overthrow Mr. Asquith, and doubtless he would not wish to do so, but he has long typified the secret revolt among more ardent Liberals against Mr. Asquith's leadership. The general opinion seems to be that Mr. Asquith will be superseded before many weeks are over.

At Londonderry House.

It took me half an hour to get to the top of the staircase at Londonderry House. By that time Lady Londonderry's white glove was almost black with handshaking. This political party was the most brilliant "crush" of recent years, and as the Duke of Sutherland remarked, was "quite a pre-war show." The people went in from Park-lane, and to provide an exit a large window facing Hertford-street had been taken out.



Hon. Imogen Grenfell.

Younger Generation!

The youngest people present were the daughters of the hostess, Lady Margaret (aged thirteen) and Lady Helen (aged twelve). They were thoroughly enjoying life, and were quite upset (at midnight!) when ordered off to bed by their elder sister, Lady Maureen Stanley. A few debutantes were present, most striking among them being the Hon. Imogen Grenfell, to whom the whole experience was obviously new and wonderful. She planted herself at the top of the stairs to watch for celebrities!

Theatrical Celebrities.

There was a strong theatrical element at the party. I noticed Mr. George Grossmith talking to the Countess of Drogheda (formerly Olive May, of the Gaicety); Sir Alfred Butt (now an M.P.) brought his wife, and so did Sir Walter de Frece. Lady de Frece was beautifully dressed, and was much admired. Dame Clara Butt was resplendent in her new tiara, and the last guest to arrive was Mr. George Robey.

Lord Hambleden's Gift.

Viscount Hambleden, who to-day presides at the annual meeting of the King's College Hospital Ladies' Association, has a traditional family connection with the hospital. His father, the great W. H. Smith, "Old Mortality," was a liberal benefactor, while Lord Hambleden, who is the present chairman, gave the site of the new hospital at Denmark Hill.

What Do Motorists Want?

Several correspondents challenge the suggestion that motorists generally do not want a petrol tax. They say that the opponents of a petrol tax are probably only those who own powerful cars and drive long average distances during the year. A motor-cyclist says that the petrol tax is favoured by those who use their machines only at week-ends, and would induce more people to go in for cycles and small cars.

Lady Honor Ward's Wedding.

Lady Patricia Ward tells me that her sister, Lady Honor Ward, is only having two bridesmaids for her wedding, which takes place at Hmley, in Staffordshire. The favoured two are Lady Patricia herself and Lady Troubridge's daughter. Lady Troubridge is a sister of the late Countess of Dudley. The wedding dress is to be of ivory silk morocain, and the veil, which is of real lace, is an heirloom. It was worn by Georgiana Countess of Dudley.

Ash Wednesday.

It is uncertain when the fast of Ash Wednesday was instituted, but it probably dates from the eighth century at least, and originated from the custom of sprinkling ashes that day on the heads of penitents. In the Roman Catholic Church the ashes are now strewn on the heads of all the clergy and people present.

How Pancakes Came.

A friend of mine who attended service at an historic Kentish church on Sunday last heard the clergyman explaining to a gathering of children the origin of pancakes on Shrove Tuesday. People, he said, were so preoccupied in shaming themselves of their sins on that day in olden times that they had no time for much cooking, and so they made pancakes as the easiest and most quickly prepared food!

Fashion Pirates.

The great dressmakers in Paris, my correspondent tells me, are banding themselves into a defence association. Their object is to combat the fashion pirate, who copies the latest modes almost before they are launched and gets into the market with similar models at about half the price charged by the creator.

To Live in Africa.

I hear that Lady Evelyn Farquhar is so delighted with life in South Africa that she intends to make her home out there. Lady Evelyn is a sister of Lord Donoughmore, and her husband, who was killed in the war, was the second son of the late Sir Henry Farquhar.

Brightening Chiltern Hundreds!

Dr. Cato Worsfold, who is resigning his seat in Parliament, and so making room for Sir Arthur Griffith-Boscawen, is not only a member of Parliament and a solicitor. He is also an author, a popular member of the Authors' Club, legal adviser to that society, and one of its favourite after-dinner speakers.



Miss Lilian Cavanagh, who will appear to-night in "Good Gracious, Annabelle!" is wife of Miss Marie Tempest's son.



Miss Elsie Sheridan-Stevens, a great granddaughter of Sheridan, is shortly to appear in a West End theatrical production.

Actor's Seaside Home.

George Tully, when he "tries out" his new play, "Her Temporary Husband," in the provinces before bringing it to London, will visit Brighton, his own home town. Mr. Tully has a charming house on the sea-front by the old Aquarium, where he resides when playing in London. His only complaints, he tells me, are charabancs and young trippers who knock at his door and ask for a glass of water.

Farthing Postcards.

It is not surprising that the Incheape Committee is recommending a big reduction in India's expenditure upon her posts and telegraphs, for Indian postal rates have been cut below all chance of profit. In India a post-card is carried for a farthing, and a reply post-card for a halfpenny, while the ordinary letter-post is only a halfpenny. No wonder there is a heavy annual loss in the Indian Postal Department!

The Wrong Glass.

Once in the early days of the O.U.D.S. there was a polite undergraduate who noticed that a lady in the theatre—a letter of lodgings—seemed to find some difficulty in getting a view of the stage. He took his opera-glasses from his pocket and said in a whisper, "Won't you have a glass, m'am?" The lady hastily put her handkerchief over the instrument as she placed it in her lap. A moment later she surreptitiously raised it to her lips!

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The Prince of Wales (saluting) with the Duke of York (left).



Two of the royal party (left) and

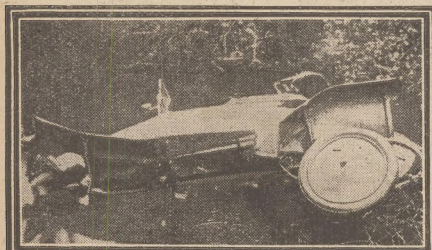


NAVAL WEDDING.—Surgeon-Commander W. P. Vicary, R.N., and his bride, Miss Nora Pearce, daughter of Sir William Pearce, M.P., leaving the church after their wedding at Marylebone Parish Church, yesterday.



The Marchioness of Headfort (left) with Lady Massereene.

The historical ceremony of the opening of the new year (left) and its splendours yesterday.



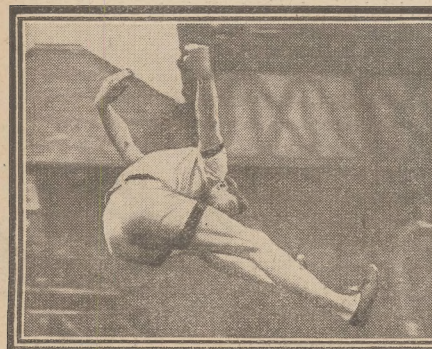
CAR'S 40ft. DIVE.—A two-seater motor-car lying in a disused quarry after a 40ft. plunge from the Cowbridge road, near Cardiff. The driver escaped uninjured, although the car crashed through a stone wall before falling.



Major J. F. Fetherstonhaugh, appointed manager of the King's thoroughbred stud in place of the late Lord Marcus Beresford.



A. R. Davies, of Balliol, winning the pole jump with a leap of 9ft. 6in.



R. J. Dickinson, of Oriel, winning the long jump. His distance was 20ft. 3in.

DARK BLUES' INTER-COLLEGE SPORTS.—Several excellent performances have been put up at the Oxford University sports for the inter-college athletic cup.



ENSIGN WEDS A "CAPTAIN."—Commissioner Peyron (A) calling for cheers at the marriage in Paris of his daughter Renée (C) to Ensign Wycliffe Booth (D), son of the late Lord Massereene.

PARLIAMENT: BRILLIANT SPECTACLE IN THE HOUSE OF



...s, the Earl of Erne
Godfrey-Faussett.



The King and Queen driving to Parliament in the state coach.



The young Duke of Norfolk and (left) Mary Marchioness.



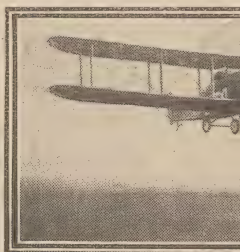
Lady Bingham (right) waiting for her car after the ceremony.



DOG DERBY DAY.—A useful trio of dogs for the Waterloo Cup, coursing for which starts at Ather to-day. They are Strolling Player (left), Skeets, which meets the favourite, Beaded Bess, to-day, and Woon.



The Hon. S. W. Dawson, Prime Minister of Victoria, Australia, who is now on his first visit to England, with Mrs. Dawson.



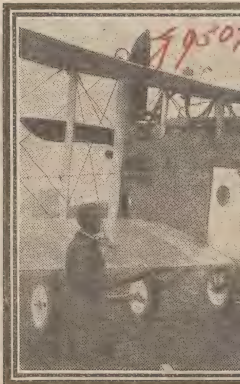
The new machine in flight during trials with a wireless.



General Booth (n), who officiated. The new Mrs. Booth holds the rank of captain in the Salvation Army. (Daily Mirror photograph.)



WEDDING.—Mr. Rupert J. Brooke and his bride, Miss Margaret Hewett, daughter of Sir Harold Hewett, married at St. Mary's, Nexbury, Berks.



LARGEST OF ITS KIND.—The largest single-engined aeroplane in the world, yesterday, when trials of the machine. The aeroplane is a "double-deck" and bombing

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Ostrich feathers hang from velvet hats and quills spring from silk ones.

Feathers still attract the average woman.

MILADY'S PLUMES.

FASHIONS MAY COME AND FASHIONS MAY GO, BUT FEATHERS REMAIN.

THIS season they are to be more conspicuous than ever on hats to be worn with the new very picturesque frocks that are promised us.

The lady in the picture is puzzled. Which ever hat she wears she will certainly be a nuisance in a crowd. The ostrich feathers will flutter in the wind into strangers' faces; the crane's feathers will get into their eyes.

The moral seems to be that plumes must only be worn on state occasions—in the Park, in a motor, even in Bond-street—but when you travel by tube or train or go shopping in a crowd, wear a small hat.

One of the new ideas in the feather world is to have ostrich feathers dyed so that the fronds cluster alternately in groups of red and of black.

Sometimes, however, the main length of the feather will be black but the tip scarlet. These, worn with a black gown embroidered in red, are very effective. Just for the moment quills are in suspense. Exactly where they are to be placed in the scheme of things no one has decided, but they will return shortly—probably jauntily stuck at the back of our hats.



APPLE DISHES

BUT THE RECIPES BELOW MAKE SUCH VERY DIFFERENT ONES.

TIREDD of apples? Is that what your family is saying? And rhubarb is still dear and bottled fruits dearer!

Try some of these apple dishes and you will have no complaints. First make some good apple sauce this way. Peel twenty ordinary sized apples, quartering them and taking out the cores, slice them as thin as wafers, put them on the fire with two ounces of butter, a quarter of a pound of sugar, a piece of cinnamon, the peel of one lemon and a tumbler of water, stir as they cook, and finally beat until quite smooth.

Use half a pound of the apple sauce to line the bottom of a pie-dish already having one lining of cooked puff pastry. Cover the sauce with a good custard and cover the whole with a lattice of strips of cooked pastry before putting in the oven for five minutes. A thin layer of red currant jelly between the apple sauce and the custard makes a good variant of this dish.

Another day take some of your apple sauce—which will keep for three days at least—and add the whites of three eggs whisked to a stiff froth with a quarter of a pound of castor sugar. Mix with the sauce, whisk for five minutes, and then heap in a glass dish with a few glacé cherries to decorate it. Serve for breakfast with a little cream.

Another use for some of the sauce is this. Beat it up with the yolks of two eggs and half an ounce of gelatine dissolved in cold water gradually heated over the fire. Then add the whites of the eggs, also beaten, and pour the mixture into a mould which has been rinsed in cold water. When set turn it out and serve with custard or cream.

AFTER ONIONS.

ONIONS are so good for you—especially in spring—yet who dare eat them? Their drawbacks are obvious!

Yet if you follow a meal in which the onion has played a large part by eating two or three parsley leaves dipped in vinegar all will be well.

Pen, Ink and Paper.

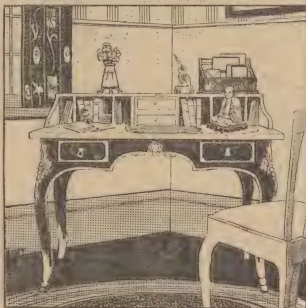
THEY ARE SO ATTRACTIVE TO-DAY.

IF you want a splash of colour in a sombre room to-day you need only stock your writing-table with the newest ideas and all will be well.

First a lovely lady in Victorian gown and bonnet with a jolly little black muff hanging from her neck. She can be gowned in scarlet or mauve or blue or yellow so long as the muff is black—because that is the pen-wiper! Under her skirt hides an inkstand and through the muff is thrust a broad quill penholder to match her frock.

Then there is the scaling wax set in dainty china, a wax seal with coloured candles and coloured sticks of wax—or you can have it in bright brass or gleaming silver.

The blotter of to-day is no longer cretonne or linen covered, but has a stained and polished wooden or enamel cover in some vivid hue—with perhaps a hand-painted picture set in the centre.



The new note for the writing table is colour—especially when the rest of the room is quiet in tone.

Your paper-weight will be a shining brass, your stamp-box a thing of beauty—possibly with a carved wooden bird sitting immobile on the lid.

And your stationery-rack is not only gorgeous in itself—it holds wide sheets of paper with a very, very narrow vivid edge, or else long panel-shaped sheets of rough buff-coloured paper with your address in bold old English lettering—unless you are a celebrity whose name is address enough, like Douglas Fairbanks, who has that and nothing more on his letter-paper!

Your address-book and dictionary must come into line. If you can do nothing more for them than a paper cover you can see that the paper is the Japanese gold-embossed kind. Perhaps it's because writing-tables are so decorative that we fly to the telephone so often. It seems such a shame to disturb anything so ornamental. J. W. E.

THE MEDICINE CHEST.

JUST FOR THE NURSERY.

THE fact that "Jack fell down and broke his crown, and Jill came tumbling after," seems to be pretty well established, judging from the persevering manner in which most small people under the age of eight endeavour to emulate them.

The trouble is that on these occasions mother or nurse or whoever it is that happens to be in charge is all too apt to get in a panic and send for the doctor. And when he arrives what does he find? A little knee grazed, a cut forehead, or perchance a burned finger, all any of which mishaps could easily have been treated without recourse to him by that very old and tried expedient—common sense.

It is an excellent plan to instal in every nursery a medicine chest.

It should contain as a fair basis upon which to work:—

- 1 Large bottle of caron oil.
- 1 Bottle of tincture of iodine.
- 1 Bottle of castor oil.
- 1 Bottle of amica.
- 1 Bottle of collodion.
- 1 Small bottle of lysol.
- 1 Roll of adhesive plaster.
- Several 2in. Red Cross bandages.
- A supply of borie lint.
- A bottle of ipecacuanha wine.

The caron oil is invaluable for burns and net soothing; the amica will dull the pain of the biggest bruise, and a few drops of collodion applied to a cut stops the bleeding almost instantaneously.

Iodine has many uses, not the least of these being its remarkable healing and antiseptic qualities. Sore throats can be painted with it, not to speak of swollen glands and such-like ills. Lysol, too, is a well-known disinfectant, and a few drops should always be added to the water in which a smothered or torn limb is bathed.

Castor oil is a too well known nursery "bogy" for its benefits to be further detailed here, and ipecacuanha has saved many a child from death with croup.

Thus, with the above outfit, the mother of the most rampagous small children in the world is equipped for any small emergency without having to go to the pains (and cost) of summoning a doctor for every infantile accident.

A BLANKET HINT.

A BLANKET usually begins to wear thin at the edges, through constant "tucking in," and towards the bottom because of restless feet. You need not discard it or turn it into an ironing blanket for a long time, however. Cut away the worn parts—they will make iron-holders, kettle-holders and admirable spring-cleaning house flannels—and put on a false hem or double calico. This will make edges wide and long enough to tuck in while the woollen blanket itself remains to cover the bed.

THE RAIN CURE.

DO you know the best of all treatments for the complexion? The rain cure. Don't curl up by the fire when rainy day comes. Put on thick boots, a mackintosh and a very small hat and go for a walk—without an umbrella, and hold your face up to the sky, so that, as you walk, thousands of raindrops fall on your skin. They will stimulate the blood and cleanse you at the same time. Every now and then wipe off the wet with a large handkerchief or a bit of soft towelling, so that your skin does not "chaps."

When you get home again take a warm bath.

IF YOU TRAVEL.

SOME HINTS ABOUT YOUR HAIR.

IF you value your hair and its health take care when you travel.

Do not lean your head back on the carriage cushions unprotected, and carry a special cover for your pillow in the sleeping berth or hotel. The covers may be immaculate on the other hand, through the carelessness of servants and attendants, they may not!

On long journeys a hat is a nuisance, but a pretty silk scarf wound round the head looks attractive and keeps the hair from dust and danger.



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Egypt's allure is captivating the Parisienne.

EGYPTIAN CRAZE.

TUT-AKHK AMEN BEGAN IT AND PARIS IS PASSING IT ON TO US.

AS soon as Paris heard of Lord Carnarvon's discoveries the dress designers and the jewellers picked up their ears. People were getting tired of Rumanian embroideries and of Russian effects. The Victorian gown could be worn by few—but there was a wealth of ideas to be developed in the Egyptian way.

Scarabs began to appear as clasps and hip ornaments, as pendants and as brooches, and as ear-rings. Fans had Egyptian designs on them.

Girdles crept lower and, instead of being tied at the side, began to be tied or clasped in front. They grew wider and more sash-like, and Egyptian symbolic figures were embroidered on them—the Isis and all those queer triangular signs and writhing snakes.

So far London hasn't the craze very badly—but it will come. Goodness knows what the coming dress shows have in store for us!

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LONDON AMUSEMENTS.

ADELPHI. THE ISLAND KING. W. H. HERRY. To-day, 2.15 and 8.15. Mats. Wed. Sat. Last Week.
ALDwych. To-day, 2.30, 8.15. TONS OF MONEY. Wed. Sat. 2.30. Vivienne Arnold. T. Walls. R. Lynn.
AMBAHADORS. Empress of the "SWEET LAVENDER." Twice Daily at 2.30 and 8.30. Last Week.
APOLLO. 2.30 and 8.30. PHYLLIS NEILSON-TERRY in "ROOF AND FOUR WALLS." Mats. Wed. Sat. 2.30.
COMEDY. Every Evening, 8.30. "SCOTCHS."
COURT. Every Evening, 8.30. "BROMLEY CHALLENGE." THIRTEEN A CROWD. Mats. Thurs. and Sat. 2.30.
COVENT GARDEN. "YOU'D BE SURPRISED." Evs. 8.15. Mats. Weds. Thurs. Sat. 2.30. (Ger. 640).
CRITIQUE. (Ger. 3944) 8.30. Tues. Thurs. Sat. 2.30.
SVEN THORNIKE. ADVERTISING APRIL.
DALY'S. 8.15. Wed. Sat. 2.15. THE LADY OF THE ROSE. H. Wright, H. Welchman, I. Tremman, P. Dore.
DRURY LANE. 2.15 and 8. DISCOMFORT NIGHTS. Mats. Wed. Sat. 2.15. 350th Performance To-day.
DUKE OF YORK'S. To-night 8. MARIE TEMPEST in "GOOD GRACIOUS ANNABELLE." Mats. Sat. 2.30.
EMPIRE. Daily, 2.45 and 8.30. Sun. 7.45. "THE ETERNAL FLAME," with Norma Talmadge.
GAITEY. 8.15. JOSE COLLINS in THE LAST WALTZ. By Oscar Straus. Mats. Thurs. and Sat. 2.30.
100th PERFORMANCE of THE LAST WALTZ TO-NIGHT.
GARRICK. (Ger. 6512) MARTIN HARVEY in "VICTORIOUS." Evs. 8.30 promptly. Mats. Wed. Sat. 2.30.
GLOBE. 8.30. THE LITTLE LADY. Marie d'Arny, Leslie Faller, Violet Vanbrugh. Wed. and Sat. 2.30.
GOLDEN GREEN HIPPODROME. Percy Hutchinson and Original London Company in "Get Too Much." 8.30.
HAYMARKET. To-night, 8.30. "THE FOUR FOURS."
HIPPODROME. Daily, at 2 and 8. "CINDERELLA." Stanley Lupino, Clarice Mayne and Star Cast. (Ger. 650).
HIS MAJESTY'S. To-day, 2.30 and 8.15. EAST OF SUEZ. Mats. Wed. and Sat. at 2.30. Last week.
KINGSWAY. Evs. 8.15. Mats. Thurs. and Sat. 2.30. "THE POLLY," the sequel to "The Beggar's Opera."
LITTLE. (Regent 2401) THE 9 O'CLOCK REVUE. Evs. 8. Mats. Mon. to Sat. 2.45. Best Seats. Prices.
LYCEUM. Pantomime "Robinson Crusoe." Daily, 2 and 7.15. To 15. (Ger. 7017.) Last 2 Weeks.
LYRIC. 8.15. Matinee, Sat. at 2.15.
LYRIC, HAMMERSMITH. ADVERTISING APRIL.
MASKED VINEY THEATRE. Near Oxford Circus. 8 and 9. EASTERN AND WESTERN MAGIC. Langman 1540.
NEW. (Reg. 4466) To-day, at 2.30 and 8.30.
MATHEW LANG in THE GREAT ESCAPE. Mats. Wed. Thurs. Sat. 2.30.
BATTING BUTLER. Jack Buchanan, Phyllis Timmins.
PRINCE OF WALES. 2.30, 8.30. THE GO-GETTERS. (ish New Prog.) Mats. Wed. Fri. Sat. 2.30.
QUEEN'S. Evs. 8.30. HUSBAND'S BLAST. Madge Titherage, Norman McKinnell. Thurs. and Sat. 2.30.
REGENCY. K. & C. Crest.
THEATRE. Evs. 8.30. Mats. Thurs. Sat. 2.30.
ROYALTY. (Ger. 3855) 2.30, 8.30. THE LOVE HABIT. Seymour Hicks. Dennis Eagle. Mats. Wed. Sat. 2.30.

ST. JAMES'S. (Ger. 3903) To-day, 2.30, 8.30. "IF WINTER COMES." Owen Nares. Mats. Wed. Sat. 2.30.
ST. MARTIN'S. SHALL WE JOIN THE LADIES? At 8.15. LOYALTIES, at 9. Mats. Fri. Sat. 2.15. Last week.
SAVOY. 8.30. Mats. Mon. to Sat. 2.30. THE YOUNG IDEA. Herbert Marshall, Ann Trevor, Muriel Pope, Kate Cutler.
SHAFESBURY. To-day, 2.30, 8.30. Mats. Wed. Sat. 2.30. A New Play entitled "The Cat and the Canary."
STRAND. (Ger. 3830) 2.30, 8. ARTHUR BOURCHILLER in "THE HOUSE OF THE BISHOP." Mats. Wed. and Sat. 2.30.
WINTER GARDEN. "THE CABARET GEL." Sundays, at 8. Mats. Thurs. and Sat. at 2.15.
WINDMILL. To-morrow, at 8.15. Gerald du Maurier in "THE DANCERS." First Mats. Sat. at 2.30.
WIMBORNE. (Ger. 5064) 2.30, 8.30, 8.45. Collegians. Symphonized Orchestra, Wish Wynne, Fred Duprez, etc.
COLISEUM. (Ger. 7401) 2.30 and 7.45. Lila Fuller's Ballet. Harry Tate, George and Butcher, Jorren, etc.
PALLADIUM. Daily, at 2.30, 6, 8.45. Harry Day presents the Sparkling Revue, CHRYSTALS.
LONDON PAVILION. (Ger. 704) 2.30, 8.30. Sun. 7.30. Douglas Fairbanks in Robin Hood.
NEW GALLERY. Daily, 2.11 (Sun. 6.11). Anna Q. Nilsson in "Three Live Ghosts." 1s. 5d. to 6s. inc.
PALACE THEATRE. The Prisoner of Zenda. Twice Daily, at 2.45 and 8.30. Sun. 7.45. (Ger. 6834).
PHILHARMONIC HALL. (Mayfair Road). Twice Daily, 2.45, 8.15. Heifetz, Holmes. "Widest Africa."
POLY CINEMA. Oxford Circus—Leslie Henson in "All's Baited" and the Great Elephant Krael.
SCALA (NEW). Mae Marsh in Film version of "Paddy the Next Best Thing." Daily, 8.30. Sun. 7.30.
ST. PICTURE THEATRE. Kingsway—1.45 to 10.30. Jackie Cowan in "Oliver Twist." at 2.55, 5.55, 8.55.
THEATRE THEATRE. Strand—"MAN-OF-WAR-MARRIAGE." Chaplin in "Shoulder Arms." Daily, 2-11.

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Daily Mirror Office.

MY DEAR BOYS AND GIRLS,—

Like yesterday's Pip and Squeak adventure, to-day's little story also contains a "moral." (Some of you, I expect, hate "morals" in stories, but the great majority of you, I am sure, rather like them.) Anybody can see the "moral" of to-day's adventure—even if you are only five, you will be able to point out Wilfred's fault.

As you see, he bought a bag of sweets. They were sweets he particularly liked—I think they were brandy-balls—and as he tripped out of the sweet-shop he found Pip and Squeak waiting for him. (I often see groups of boys and girls waiting outside sweet-shops for one of their friends to come out!) Wilfred crossed the road,

and as he saw his friends he determined, not to give any away.

After giving Pip and Squeak one brandy-ball each, he clung on to the bag and started crunching them up as quickly as he could. A chapter of accidents followed. A noisy little dog yapped at him, and away went the sweets into the road; a car came along and buried them in the mud.

The "moral," of course, is that if Wilfred hadn't been quite so selfish, and had given Pip his sweets to mind instead of trying to eat them all up at once, the disaster couldn't have happened and the brandy-balls would have been saved.

Rather had luck for Wilfred, but it will teach him, on another occasion, to be a little less greedy and to think of others as well as himself.

Your affectionate
Uncle Dick.

WHO IS YOUR VALENTINE?

A Pretty Custom of Our Grandmothers.

YEARS ago, in the days of our grandmothers and grandfathers, the 14th of February was one of the most thrilling times of the year. Friends would send each other mysterious little presents, and, instead of signing their names at the bottom of the cards, they would put "From your Valentine."



"For my valentine."

Nobody really knows who started this pretty custom. St. Valentine's Day has been kept for hundreds of years in Merrie England—but who St. Valentine was is a mystery. There were so many St. Valentines—martyrs and others—that it is difficult to decide which one started the old-fashioned custom.

The chief charm of receiving a present or a card on this day was the fact that you never really knew who sent it. It was such fun trying to guess who was your secret "Valentine." Sometimes a young person would send another young person a pair of gloves or some lengths of pretty ribbon, or perhaps a card, with a little poem on it. Later on, it became the fashion to send funny cards—sometimes enormous ones, nearly a foot long—with absurd drawings in very bright colours. The poems also became comic. One very popular one was:—

"The rose is red,
The violet blue—
The ivy green—
And so are you!"

In the olden days the people believed that spring started on St. Valentine's Day. They thought that the birds all chose their mates, the flowers all came out, and the fairies woke up from their winter sleep.

CATS AND FISHES.

ONLY two letters this week about pets. I'm afraid this weather doesn't suit animals—they all seem to be ill just now.

Doris Page, Barrow.—I am so sorry to hear about Tim, your pet fish. His illness might be due to old age, but more probably it is owing to the narrow-necked bowl. Change the water once a week and keep the bowl near the window. I hope it's not too late.

Betty Nicholson, Earlsfield.—I should take your cat to a vet. at once if I were you.

Say this quickly: "We've got a terrible lot to do to-day, that we to-day should do to-day. But if you to-day would do to-day what you to-day should do you'll find to-day and each to-day a better day for you!"

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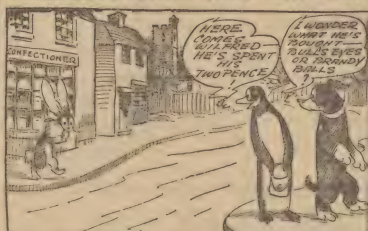
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WILFRED'S BAG OF SWEETS: A "MORAL" TALE.



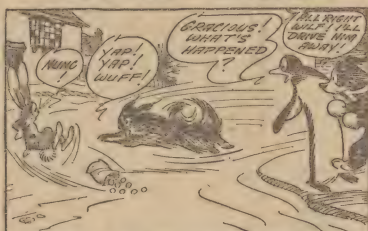
1. Having twopence to spend, Wilfred went into a sweet-shop and bought some sweets.



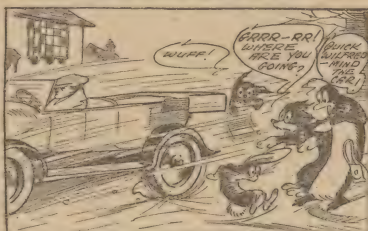
2. Pip and Squeak asked if they might "mind them," but the little rabbit sternly refused.



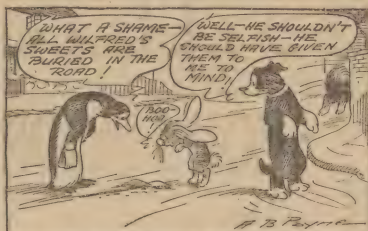
3. After giving Pip and Squeak one sweet each, he started eating them as fast as he could.



4. Just then, however, a little dog (who also liked sweets) sprang out at him.



5. All the sweets fell in the road, and at that moment a car passed over them—



6. —and "buried" them in the mud! A sad story, but—Wilfred was a little selfish, wasn't he?

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Court Stories of Captures of
Turkish Gunboats.

COOL RAID ON TOWN.

Six Ships Seized in Midst of Enemy Stronghold.

Stirring stories of river fighting in Mesopotamia at the beginning of the war were told in the Prize Court yesterday, when Captain Wilfred Nunn, D.S., claimed, on behalf of the naval forces under his command, £10,195 prize money for the capture or destruction of Turkish vessels.

General Townshend and his staff were on board Captain Nunn's flagship during some of the operations.

On the application of the Crown counsel, Mr. C. W. Lilley, part of the proceedings were taken in camera.

Mr. Lilley said he had to refer to dispatches from General Townshend and others which were described as documents of great security.

"1,400 TURKS CAPTURED."

Mr. Wilfred Lewis, for the claimants, said that in November, 1914, a mixed flotilla of sloops and armed launches was running up and down the Shatt-el-Arab, en route to Basra, which the Turks were holding in force.

The British went up in the night to north of the Island of Mahomera and engaged and sank a Turkish gunboat.

A few days later Captain Nunn ran up and engaged the Turkish vessel Marmaris, and sank a Turkish gunboat. The gunboat was salvaged and incorporated in the Navy as H.M.S. Flycatcher. Prize bounty was claimed for the Flycatcher and the earlier gunboat.

When he was at Ezra's Capt. Nunn had engaged enemy vessels, including the Marmaris, which had escaped before, and barges full of armed troops were captured, with rifles, machine-guns, mines, bombs and field-guns. After he had steamed ahead the Marmaris was found in flames and captured, with two more Turkish vessels, the Mosul and Bulbul.

The total captures on June 1 and 2 were these ships; seven barges and seven light river craft. None of Captain Nunn's vessels had armour plating, and rifle fire would have sufficed to sink the whole of his flotilla.

It was suggested that nearly 1,400 Turks were captured in this engagement alone.

GORDON RELIC'S VICTORY.

Because of the shallows Captain Nunn transferred to the Comet, went on with six other vessels into Amara, which was supposed then to be held in force by Turks, and captured the armed Turkish boats Sebeh and Samara and four armed launches. Immediately following 900 Turks surrendered.

It was suggested that there were 650 on board these vessels.

In July at Nasiriyah Captain Nunn destroyed a gunboat, which was the last of the vessels for which he was claiming.

He was sunk by the Shushan, a stern-paddle boat which had been built for the relief of General Gordon in Khartoum.

Mr. Lewis said he hoped he should not be prosecuted by the authorities for revealing the history of this antiquated vessel. She had on board a 12-pounder, which always strained her timbers badly when it was fired.

The officer who made the shot, Mr. Seymour, destroyed the gunboat with his third shot. She burst into flames and, with an explosion, sank. After hearing part of the case in camera, Sir Henry Duke, the President, reserved judgment.

COLONEL GETS DECREE.

£1,200-a-Year Wife Who Asked Her
Husband for Divorce.

In the Divorce Court yesterday Mr. Justice Hill granted a decree nisi to Colonel Hugh Fenwick Brooke, of South Farnborough, on the ground of the misconduct of his wife, Mrs. Gladys May Brooke, with the co-respondent, John Lord.

The parties were married in 1902, but Colonel Brooke eventually had to complain of his wife's association with another man, and in consequence he did not live with her after 1913.

She had £1,200 a year of her own.

In 1921 Mrs. Brooke wrote telling him she had stayed at the Savoy Hotel with a Mr. Lord, and asking him to divorce her. He made inquiries at the hotel, but could obtain no corroborative evidence.

Subsequently, however, he heard from an old servant that his wife was living at West Halkin-street, London, and on making inquiries he found that she was living there with a man named Lord.

GAOL FOR MYSTERY GIRL.

Queenie, the mystery girl of Westminster Infirmary, soon recovered her memory when arrested by the police as Charithers, for obtaining goods by false pretences at Bencroft. She was sentenced to six weeks' imprisonment on each of three charges, the sentences to run concurrently.

ZOO'S BABY BOXER.

Kangaroo a Surprised, but
Proud, Father.

TEN WEEKS' SECRET.

It was impossible to find two greater contrasts at the Zoo yesterday than Sam, the recently-behave Polar bear, and Battling Ginger, the boxing kangaroo.

Ginger has just discovered, to his unspeakable pride, that he has become a father, while Sam is very morose at having received notice to quit his enclosure on the Mappin Terrace. No one quite knows when Mrs. Ginger presented her husband with a son and heir. The new comer, it is believed, was no bigger than your little finger when he was born, and Mrs. Ginger at once popped him away in her pouch. By this time he is thought to be about ten weeks old. The little one thrust his head out of his mother's pouch to take his first look at the world. Ginger gave him one glance of astonishment, and then leapt for joy.

His pride in the new-found dignity of fatherhood is beyond description. He wants to box everyone who comes near him.

There is no telling when Sam will agree to change his quarters to make room for the Bing Boys—the three four-year-old Polar bears.

Morsels placed to tempt him into the next enclosure failed to make him budge.

YOUR BIRTHDAY DATE.

"Daily Mirror" Chart That Will
Give You Exact Day of Week.

Should to-day be the anniversary of your birth, day and you cannot remember the exact day of the week upon which you were born, the chart printed below will supply the information.

First find your age to-day in one of the lines in the chart. On the same line will be found the actual day of your birth:

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BEAUTY AND PEARLS.

£300 Competition That Should Attract
Host of Pretty Women.

Purity in foodstuffs is essential. By the utmost care in preparation and the use only of the best quality materials, Messrs. Chivers have won fame for their jams and jellies. They have now put on the market Chivers' coffee essence and Chivers' jelly cream, both of which have met with instant success.

Ciro Pearls Limited are arranging a £300 beauty competition. The sole condition is that each competitor must send in a photograph of herself wearing a necklace of Giro pearls.

Another interesting competition is that being held by the proprietors of Zam-Buk. Competitors must send in a list of the cures by Zam-Buk which they have seen printed. The sender of the longest list will receive £50 cash.

Little fingers love modelling, therefore Glitter-Wax, the new brightly-coloured modelling substance, should meet with unreserved favour.

The pure wool "Alpha" stockings now to be obtained at any leading hosier or draper should prove a boon to women.

A unique exhibition of their models in underclothing open to the trade only—is this week being held by Gossard Corset, of 168, Regent-street. This company guarantee by their methods to ensure perfect fitting.

At Harrods some real bargains in house linen and lingerie are to be secured just now. No housewife should miss this opportunity.

JOBS FOR MARCHERS.

Unemployed Find Work on Way to
London Demonstration.

Shortly before the route of the royal procession was closed to vehicular traffic yesterday a number of unemployed, wearing red rosettes, paraded Whitehall bearing sandwich boards.

A demonstration took place in Hyde Park later. The National Committee had sent to the provinces appeals for reinforcements, but the appeal almost completely failed.

Some of the marchers, it is said, left the ranks, and at Coventry a number of skilled engineers who had been out of work for over two years succeeded in obtaining temporary jobs.

WOOLWICH ARSENAL FUTURE.

Messrs. Allen and Corrigan, chairman and secretary of the Combined Shop Stewards' Committee, Woolwich Arsenal, state that they have been informed that the National Arsenal is to remain at Woolwich, the committee of inquiry having been disbanded.

Five thousand "flaming hearts," each containing a surprise, will descend from the ceiling upon the guests at to-night's St. Valentine's Supper at the Savoy Hotel.

REGAL SPLENDOR OF PARLIAMENT OPENING.

Black and Gold Pageant in
Peeresses' Gallery.

THE KING'S SONS ATTEND.

Lowering clouds and a heavy dampness in the atmosphere robbed the opening of Parliament by the King of much of its splendour.

The King and Queen drove from Buckingham Palace in the state coach drawn by eight bay horses with postillions, escorted by Life Guards. The coach was flanked by officers and men of the Brigade of Guards.

A few minutes before the procession reached the House of Lords the Prince of Wales, followed by the Duke of York, arrived and waited at Victoria Tower to greet their Majesty.

The Prince looked well in his Welsh Guards' uniform with grey overcoat and black bearskin. The Duke of York, with Wing-Commander Louis Greig, did not wear uniform, and drove in his car quite informally.

In the House of Lords the attendance of peers and peeresses was slightly smaller than on recent state openings, but it lost little of its brilliancy or of the riot of colours which is characteristic of the ceremonial.

QUEEN'S FAMOUS DIAMONDS.

The King wore his crown and State robes, and the Queen was adorned with the extraordinary famous diamonds which she wears on State occasions.

Peers wore their scarlet ermine-trimmed robes and peeresses were in full Court dress, with a profusion of jewels.

Many well-known ladies had chosen black as providing the best background for jewels. The Marchioness of Anglesey, who was with her husband, wore black, beneath a white and black, for bordered cloak and a My Marchioness of Queensberry was one of the many in black brocade.

Mrs. Asquith had an Indian red and gold gown, of Egyptian design, and Mrs. Lloyd George wore gold and white brocade. Her daughter, Miss Megan Lloyd George, being dressed in a draped frock of cyclamen mauve crepe.

NEW LEGISLATION.

The King's Speech Forebushes Busy
Session—Economy Call.

Main points in the King's Speech, indicating new legislation, were:—

U.S. policy—The prospective settlement of our war debt to the United States, which reflects the determination of our people to meet their obligations.

Ruhr Occupation.—My Government, while feeling unable either to concur or participate in operations, are acting in such a way as not to add to the difficulties of their Allies.

Lausanne Conference.—I cherish the hope that when a full report of the proceedings has reached the British Government the latter may still be disposed to accept the Treaty.

Economy.—The financial burdens of the country are heavy, and reductions in public expenditure remain essential to the well-being of the State.

Local Taxation.—The anomalies and inequalities of the present system of local taxation have long called for reform.

Rent Act.—Proposals will be made to carry into effect certain of the Committee's recommendations.

ADDRESS AMENDMENTS.

Labour to Call for Pensions Inquiry
—Southern Loyalists' Fate.

By Our Political Correspondent.

The debate on the Address in the Commons is expected to last till next Wednesday.

The general discussion will be continued to-day, and to-morrow the Labour Party will open a two days' debate on an amendment calling attention to the condition of affairs in Europe and the Near East and its effect on unemployment and reduced wages at home.

They will also call for an inquiry into war pensions.

On Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday amendments by other sections of the Opposition will be taken.

One of the amendments tabled by the Ulster members regards the no adequate provision has been made for the thousands of loyalists who have been oppressed in Southern Ireland and rendered penniless.

THE STOCK EXCHANGE.

By Our City Editor.

Markets remained quiet to-day, but the tone was satisfactory. Investment stocks were well maintained. Five per cent. War Loan being 100½, while many foreign bonds again improved. French loans were inclined to harden, though French 5½ per cent. was weaker. 7½ per cent. maintained the recovery to 135.00. Home Railways quiet, and Argentinean suffered profit-taking. Most leading industrial shares fairly maintained. Although a few stocks sagged, Suez's profits are £250,310, against £242,655 year ago, but the £250,000 P.P.D. rebate was included. Thus profits are actually £27,644 higher. The ordinary dividend is maintained at 10 per cent., the rate.

Railway shares were quiet, the rate of interest remaining 1½ p. per cent. Oils were featureless. Kaffirs showed rather steady recovery. Rand Mines rising 3½ p. to 238.50. Chartered were 13½, and Rhodesians were active, while Barroets, Krefley Silver, Nigerian, Canadian Mining and other usually less prominent shares received further support.

Hens keeping Him

Instead of his keeping the hens, thanks
to Karswood Poultry Spice, con-
taining Ground Insects.



Do you keep hens—or do
your hens keep you?

If your pullets are not
laying five eggs per week
per bird they are not work-
ing whole time. Overhaul
your methods. In particular
see the birds get Karswood
Poultry Spice containing
ground insects every day
in the soft mash at the rate
of one tablespoonful (half
an ounce) to twenty fowls.
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Not a Solitary Egg Until He Used Karswood.
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I am absolutely astonished at the results
achieved from your Karswood Poultry Spice,
containing ground insects. In the backyard, I
keep eight March-hatched birds, and until two
weeks ago not a solitary egg was laid, in fact,
the birds did not know what the nests were
there for. I got fed-up with waiting and told a
friend of mine that I should have to sell out or
kill them. He suggested I should try Karswood
Poultry Spice before giving up. He was right. I
am that I took his advice. Satisfactory results
were shown immediately, inside two weeks all
the birds are laying. Instead of me keeping
the hens the hens are helping to keep me, as I
am out of employment, you will understand
how I appreciate this change for the better,
thanks to Karswood.

You can use this how you want, as your
Karswood Poultry Spice is worth "crowing
about."

WILLIAM LISTER.

27th Jan., 1923.

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7d., 1s. 3d., bags 3lb. 4s. 2d., 7lb. 8s., 14lb. 15s.,
28lb. 28s. 6d., which works out at one-tenth of
a farthing per bird per day in use. Karswood
Complete Poultry Meal, 3lb. 12d. 7lb. 1s. 9d.,
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the most eggs for the least money. Sold by
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The Business End of a Corn is the Root

THE PART THAT CAUSES
ALL THE PAIN BY
PRESSING ON THE
SOFT JOINT AND
TENDER SENSITIVE
NERVES.

THE TOP
DOESN'T MATTER

Cutting the top of a corn off with a
razor or burning it off with caustic
lotions, plasters, etc., doesn't do
any good. It may do great harm by
causing infection or even blood
poisoning.

Also it hurts the root just sprouts right
up again, so your corn soon has a brand new
top on it bigger than ever. The top is only
dead skin anyway. The business end of a
corn is the little pointed part or core that
extends down into the toe. That is what hurts
when it presses on sensitive nerves, and it is
the part you have to get out. A good
handful of Boudier Bath Salts dissolves
in a gallon or so of hot water
will soften corns and callouses, like
water softens soap.

Just soak them in this for a while, then take
hold of the corn with your fingers and out it
will come, root and all. The refined Boudier
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to rub the whole family of all foot
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The Daily Mirror

NET SALE MUCH THE LARGEST OF ANY DAILY PICTURE NEWSPAPER



Wilfred provides an object lesson—



—for greedy children on page 15!

£1,000 DAMAGES



Miss Catherine Smith, of York, formerly a V.A.D. nurse, who was yesterday awarded £1,000 damages for breach of promise of marriage against Mr. Charles Wilkins, whom she met in South Africa.

PICTURESQUE SCENES AT YESTERDAY'S STATE CEREMONY



The state coach passing through Palace Yard on arrival at the House of Lords for the opening of Parliament yesterday. Dull weather robbed the pageant of some of its brilliance, but it was still a splendid spectacle.



Lord and Lady Terington at the House of Lords for the ceremony.



PANCAKE DAY AT WESTMINSTER.—The struggle for the pancake at Westminster School yesterday, and (inset) Whitlan Smith, who secured the largest portion and earned the guinea awarded by the Dean.—(Daily Mirror photographs.)



"Beefeaters" leaving the Houses after their customary unproductive search for a possible Guy Fawkes lurking in the cellars on the reassembling of Parliament.



ACTRESS WINS.—Miss Daisy Markham, the actress, after her suit to recover from Mr. and Mrs. Petrides £200 intended for investment in a bookmaking business had been successful.



PRINCE INJURED.—The Russian Prince Galitzine, who had a foot badly crushed by a train travelling from Cannes to Nice. The foot has been amputated in hospital.